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REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 3-6-67	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7-1-66 - 2-17-67
TITLE OF CASE HYMAN OSCAR LARNER, aka Hymen Larner; Hy Larner "Red" Larner, Tom Waterfall		REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN D. RIORDAN	TYPED BY cae
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

REFERENCES: ✓ Bureau airtel to Chicago dated 6-24-66 titled "(ENU) [redacted] 11
AR MATTERS - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC; [redacted] AR MATTERS -
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC."
Chicago airtel to Springfield dated 7-1-66. (IO)
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 7-13-66. (IO) 62-9-9-1789
Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 7-28-66, titled, "CRIMINAL
INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM - CHICAGO DIVISION." 62-9-9-1788
Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 7-29-66, titled, "CRIMINAL
INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM - CHICAGO DIVISION."
Chicago airtel to Springfield dated 8-29-66. (IO)
Chicago letter to Bureau dated 9-28-66, titled, [redacted] b6
[redacted] - AR - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC." 92-9182-22 b7C
Springfield airtel to Chicago dated 10-13-66. (IO)
Chicago letter to Little Rock dated 11-30-66. (IO)
Little Rock letter to Chicago dated 12-16-66. (IO)
Chicago letter to Springfield dated 1-30-67. (IO)

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ENCLOSURES (2)

TO BUREAU

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting characterization of informants utilized in this report.

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AT TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA. 1. Check Auto License Registrations for information re HYMAN LARNER and MORTON SHELDON LARNER.

2. Also check Florida Driver's License P192610 expiring 1966 for information re MORTON SHELDON LARNER.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. 1. Search indices, conduct credit and criminal checks for information re activities, properties, business and associates of HYMAN OSCAR LARNER and MORTON SHELDON LARNER. Mr. MORTON SHELDON LARNER held Florida Driver's License #P192610 expiring 1966 when Illinois Driver's License was issued to him in October, 1964.

2. Establish if possible whether LARNER resided Miami Shores prior to 1962 and subsequent residence if available. Note that investigation in Miami previously was in Miami file 92-1810 captioned, [REDACTED] AR MATTERS - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC."

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1. Will ascertain at Office of Cook County Clerk, Cook County Building, names appearing on certificates who do business under an assumed name. Ascertain whether name of HY LARNER appears thereon for the Crossroads Restaurant, 15300 South Cicero, Oak Forest, Illinois.

2. At Chicago Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit Internal Revenue Service ascertain names appearing as owners of the Crossroads Restaurant.

3. Will report results of check by Springfield Division of LARNER's 1941 Application for the Illinois State Militia.

ADMINISTRATIVE

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It is noted that the investigative period is extensive. This investigation was conducted corollary to the investigations of SAM GIANCANA and EDWARD VOGEL since he reportedly represented their interests, and it was to be reported in an initial report which was to be as informative and comprehensive as possible. The case also was re-assigned from the original Agent and the newly assigned Agent was occupied for a lengthy period with a Bureau deadline project. The case has remained in a pending status through interoffice communications.

[redacted] contacted April 14 and 24, 1964, advised SA [redacted] and [redacted] he believed that [redacted] or had the [redacted] done to [redacted] using the name [redacted]. He advised [redacted] that [redacted] on behalf of RALPH PIERCE was sold [redacted] with Chicago hoodlum HY LARNER. He advised that [redacted] with PIERCE for having sold the business. He advised that he heard that HY LARNER and LENNY PATRICK were attempting to purchase City Music Co. [redacted] He advised that LARNER also owned a piece of the Padronie Brothers Juke Box and Game Machine Co. He advised that LARNER also owned 50% of the game [redacted].

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On May 6, 1965, [redacted] advised that HYMAN "RED" LARNER [redacted] for the purpose of looking into the possibility of [redacted] LARNER [redacted] an offer was promised by LARNER; however, LARNER since that time [redacted] no further negotiations [redacted] had been made. This contact by LARNER was the first time [redacted] this individual.

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A Chicago letter to the Direct dated April 16, 1959, concerning the criminal element in the business field and in the restaurant industry reflected that an unidentified source indicated the Crossroads Restaurant and tavern, then located at 159th and South Cicero, Oak Forest, Illinois, was owned by HYMAN LARNER, [redacted] and [redacted]. LARNER was reportedly a silent partner and did not take part in the management of the restaurant.

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Sergeant [redacted] Cook County Sheriff's Office advised on February 26, 1965, that he received information that in Oak Forest, Illinois, [redacted] in the Cook County Building, Chicago, was accepting payments from the owners of Crossroads Restaurant at 15300 South Cicero in Oak Forest. [redacted] advised that in his capacity of Sheriff's Gambling and Vice Division that he made an arrest at the Crossroads Restaurant in which it resulted in being closed for late operation. Also according to [redacted] the restaurant owner was heard to say that [redacted] would take care of it. The next day [redacted] the Town Council of Oak Forest for a meeting [redacted] ordinance enacted permitting the Crossroads to operate continuously. [redacted] could not give any information as to the relationship between [redacted] and the restaurant owner. b6 b7C

An unknown Agent of the Chicago Office received a letter addressed to Mr. [redacted] Assistant Director, Department of Public Safety from Corporal [redacted] dated March 5, 1965. This letter was regarding the Simon Meat & Provision Company, and the C & B Meat Company - [redacted] *Ill* The letter reflected that Troopers [redacted] and [redacted] interviewed [redacted] on March 5, 1965, at the Crossroads Restaurant and Lounge, 15301 South Cicero Avenue, in Oak Forest. According to [redacted] this corporation was formed December 16, 1960, with [redacted] and [redacted] as officers and [redacted] entered in [redacted] at this point saying that [redacted] an honest business. Also [redacted] mentioned that he doesn't know who is behind [redacted] business. Afterwards [redacted] stated he would answer no more questions and would not listen to further questions asked of him [redacted] was [redacted] until [redacted] arrived and then said nothing while [redacted] took charge of the conversation with the investigators. The interview was ended inasmuch as [redacted] was very uncooperative and antagonistic in his attitude. b6 b7C

Mr. [redacted] (protect - a confidential source of the Santo Domingo Office), advised on March 8, 1966, that he had received information that an individual named [redacted] (phonetic) [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] where he spoke to one HY at [redacted]. Source stated that [redacted] advised that he would [redacted] but generally spoke to HY. Source stated that [redacted] all make reference to sending slot machines and other gambling devices to the Dominican Republic. Source advised that, according to some of the conversations, the machines are to be utilized in United States Army installations.

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[redacted] advised on July 25, 1966, that he had received information from a friend who had recently returned from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, to the effect that HY "RED" LARNER had taken slot machines [redacted] LES KRUSE had stored in the Hispanol Hotel in Santo Domingo and that the present location of the machines was unknown to him.

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He further said that it was possible that KRUSE had given permission to LARNER to move and/or use the machines. The source stated [redacted]

[redacted] KRUSE. [redacted] KRUSE in recent months and that neither KRUSE or LARNER [redacted]

An unidentified source on an unidentified date in 1966 advised that he had information which indicated HY LARNER of the Crossroads Restaurant and a former employee of Apex Amusement Company, a distributor of coin operated machines owned by EDWARD VOGEL, and now operated by GUS ALEX sent [redacted] in the Crossroads, one [redacted] in the summer of 1965 to contact [redacted]

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The source was unable to furnish information as to the type of gambling involved for the success of the trip.

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The source said that [redacted] in a [redacted] office in the summer of 1965 when [redacted] was being [redacted] said he needed [redacted] because he intended to [redacted] in the Dominican Republic and to work with [redacted] all types of gambling there. The source added that [redacted] never went to the Dominican Republic due to the outbreak of violence there.

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On May 22, 1964, former PCI [redacted] advised that many so-called Chicago hoodlums were members of the Tam O Shanter Country Club in Niles, Illinois. The source identified [redacted] among other persons of hoodlum associations as a member using the name of [redacted] night club at 9436 Higgins Road, Rosemont, Illinois. The source also reported that among others, [redacted] was a member of this club. His membership card reflected that [redacted] a jobbing company known as Polaris Sales Company, 714 Roosevelt, Chicago, Illinois, with telephone number CA-6-5580. His residence was listed as [redacted] Illinois, with telephone number [redacted]. It is noted that upon observation at 603 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois, the structure is obviously new, and the list reflecting the address at Tam O Shanter Country Club or Polaris Sales, was furnished some time prior to 1964.

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Several confidential sources, unidentified over the past years, have advised that [redacted] and HYMAN LARNER, also known as HY "RED" LARNER, are under the direct control of Chicago hoodlum EDWARD DAVID VOGEL, in the operation of slot machines and gambling-type pinball machines in Cook County, Illinois. VOGEL has been referred to in past years as the slot machine king of Cook County and has admitted in the past his being partners with such infamous persons as AL CAPONE, NICK NITTI, and JAKE GUZIK, all deceased. In more recent years, even though he is somewhat retired now, he reportedly split his income with the head of organized crime in Chicago; namely, SAM GIANCANA. VOGEL is now 70 years of age.

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and is somewhat inactive and reportedly turned his slot machine and other gambling-type machines/ventures over to his subordinates who are known to be HY LARNER and [REDACTED]

It is noted that HY LARNER and one [REDACTED] commonly known as [REDACTED] (another former employee of MOGEL), [REDACTED] a company known as Globe Distributors and Skill Games, Incorporated, 2230 North Western Avenue in Chicago. This business is known to deal in gambling-type pinball machines and games and services, and leases these machines to operators in Cook County. E11

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Confidential sources, unidentified in the recent past, have furnished information revealing that [REDACTED] night clubs and other businesses and gambling-type machines [REDACTED] reportedly a gambling boss of SAM GIANCANA, recognized leader of organized crime in the Chicago area. F11

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A confidential source during May of 1965, unidentified, advised that SAM GIANCANA was attempting to gain control of gambling casinos in the Dominican Republic and in this regard was utilizing the services of HY LARNER who reportedly had contact with the necessary politicians in the Dominican Republic to secure this venture. The informant also reported that LARNER as well as [REDACTED] believed to be [REDACTED] were arranging for the machines to be placed through the Dominican Republic. Informant also reported that Chicagoans [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were emissaries of GIANCANA in the Dominican Republic in this report. I11

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[REDACTED] mentioned previously, advised on June 14, 1965, [REDACTED] LESLIE KRUSE a Chicago hoodlum [REDACTED] of a gambling casino [REDACTED] in this venture because KRUSE had gambling knowledge.

[REDACTED] and wanted the casino operation to be completely legitimate and honest.

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[redacted] visit to Santo Domingo KRUSE
[redacted] a Mr. RUSSO whom he later identified from
a photograph as being SAM GIANCANA. No gambling or
business matters were discussed at this meeting with GIANCANA.

KRUSE [redacted]
[redacted]
the casino legitimately.

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The source stated that the casino was to be located
in the Paz Hotel which was leased by a group of Dominican
nationals [redacted] He
said the Paz Hotel was changed later to the Hispanola Hotel.
He said the Dominican nationals had promised to renovate the
hotel to a first class one in preparation for opening the
casino, and when they failed to do this, KRUSE withdrew his
promised financial support for the casino and the whole deal
fell through.

Source advised in November 21, 1963, that KRUSE
had expressed an interest in another casino located in the
Embajador Hotel, Santo Domingo, and also in a downtown
Santo Domingo slot machine route. He said KRUSE, however,
had not established the necessary rapport with Dominican
authorities to obtain this operation.

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Source advised that ever since the deal fell through
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] (protect identity) was contacted on April 15,
1965, by SA THOMAS W. PARRISH, and he advised that [redacted]
[redacted] or [redacted] was dominated by south side hoodlums
because of the fact that he was an alcoholic and drank mostly
at the Crossroads Restaurant in Oak Forest, Illinois.

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He advised that the restaurant which was owned and operated according to him by "RED" LARNER and the "syndicate" bought most of its meat from Stone's Meat Packing Company in Greenwood, Illinois. [] said that on several occasions []

[] but he was of the opinion that their operation was far from legitimate.

On September 12, 1964, CG 6568-C* advised that HY LARNER was operating as a lieutenant for GUS ALEX rather than EDDIE VOGEL. He said LARNER had recently purchased a number of juke box, game and cigarette vending machines from Al Rothman Music Company.

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He said that someone in the "outfit", possibly HY LARNER and GUS ALEX were then negotiating to purchase City Music Company [] He advised he had heard the "outfit" had one million dollars set aside for the purpose of buying this company.

This information is being set out in this section in order to better protect the source.

The Special Agent reviewing passport files on June 12, 1966, regarding LARNER was []

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An unidentified source on an unidentified date in 1966 asserted that HY LARNER and one [] commonly known as [] (a former employee of VOGEL) were in May, 1966, [] a company known as Globe Distributors and Skill Games, Incorporated, 2230 North Western Avenue, in Chicago. The business was known to deal in gambling-type pinball machines and games and these machines were leased to operators in Cook County.

It is noted that the list of domestic and foreign corporations maintained by the Illinois Secretary of State in its listing of officials of the above companies for 1966 does not include the name HYMAN LARNER.

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INFORMANTS

<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
CG T-1. [redacted]	6-16-66	SA [redacted] SA JOHN J. OITZINGER
CG T-2, Former PCI [redacted]	Unknown Date	SA JOSEPH L. SYLVESTER
CG T-3. [redacted] then [redacted] [redacted] (deemed adviseable)	2-20-58	SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D
CG T-4, PCI [redacted]	8-7-63	SA [redacted]
CG T-5, CG 6568-C*	9-12-64	---
CG T-6. [redacted]	12-9-64	SA [redacted]
CG T-7, [redacted]	1-13-65	SA [redacted]
CG T-8 [redacted]	1-10-66 1-24-66	SA PAUL J. NEUMANN SA PAUL J. NEUMANN
CG T-9. [redacted]	11-22-66	SA LENARD A. WOLF

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CG T-10,
CG 6568-C*

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CG T-12.
PCI [REDACTED]

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SA JOHN D. RIORDAN



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SA [REDACTED]

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Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent John D.
Riordan dated and captioned as
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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 was in a position to secure the reported information.

CG T-2 was familiar with gambling activities in Southwest Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-3 was in a position to secure the reported information.

CG T-4 was acquainted with hoodlums and their activities in Southwest Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-5 was in a position to secure the reported information.

CG T-6 was acquainted with hoodlum activities in the Chicago area.

CG T-7 was acquainted with hoodlum activities in the Chicago area.

CG T-8 was acquainted with gambling and hoodlum activities in the Chicago area.

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CG T-9 was a source acquainted with hoodlum activities in Southwest Cook County, Illinois.

CG T-10 was in a position to secure the reported information.

CG T-11 was in a position to secure the reported information.

CG T-12 was acquainted with some hoodlums and their activities in Southwest Cook County, Illinois.



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REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 2/6/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/4/69 to 2/2/70
TITLE OF CASE HYMAN OSCAR LARNER, aka <i>mc</i>		REPORT MADE BY SA CHARLES SETAR	TYPED BY ljm
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

REFERENCES: Report of SA CHARLES SETAR dated 11/26/69 at Chicago.
Tampa letter to Chicago dated 1/7/70.

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LEADSBOSTON

AT BRIGHTON, MASSACHUSETTS. Identify subscriber to telephone area code [redacted] and if deemed advisable conduct appropriate investigation to develop background information regarding this subscriber.

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MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. Identify subscriber to telephone area code [REDACTED] Miami, Florida, and if deemed advisable conduct appropriate investigation to develop background information regarding this subscriber.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA. Identify subscriber to telephone area code [REDACTED] San Jose, California, and if deemed advisable conduct appropriate investigation to develop background information regarding this subscriber.

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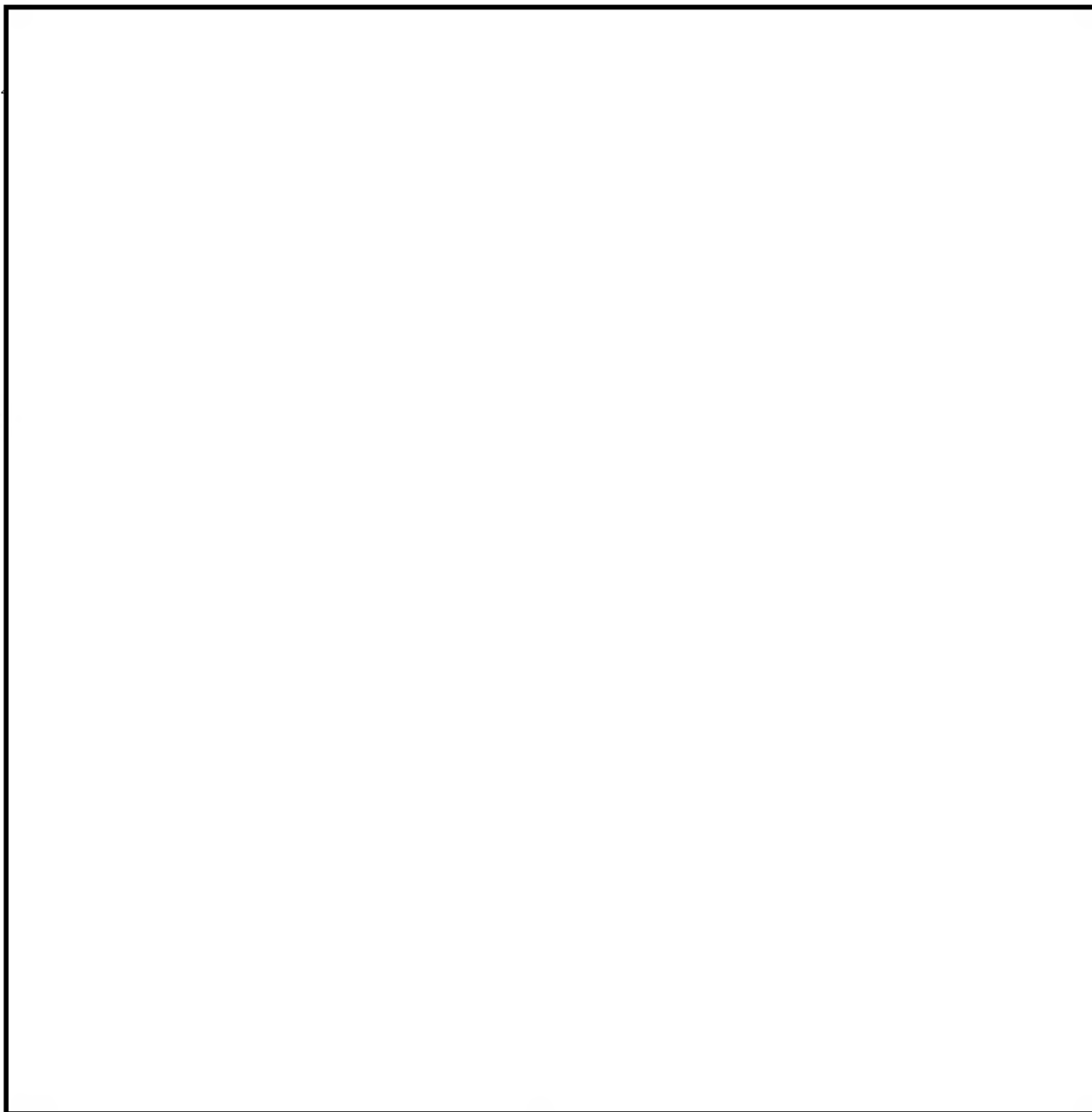
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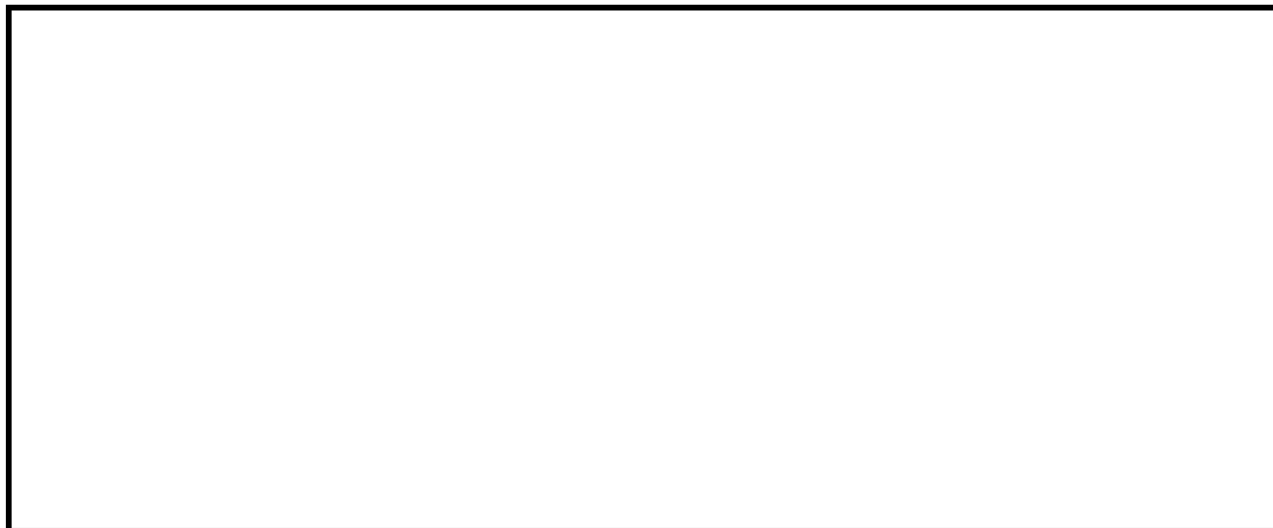
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The following investigation was conducted by the Tampa Division:

On December 30, 1969, the following individuals all advised SA [redacted] that the files of their respective agencies fail to show any record for subject under his true name or known aliases, or for Gulf Coast Paving Company, Palmetto, Florida:

[redacted]
Credit Bureau of Manatee County
Bradenton, Florida

[redacted]
Police Department, Bradenton, Fla.

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Manatee County Sheriff's Office
Bradenton, Florida

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Occupational License Section
Manatee County Tax Collector
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[REDACTED]
Manatee County Building Dept.
Bradenton, Florida

On December 30, 1969, records at the Manatee County Clerk's Office, Bradenton, Florida, were reviewed by SA [REDACTED] and no record of any mortgages was located from 1960 to date in the name of the subject under known names and aliases, or in the name of Gulf Coast Paving Company.

The current City Directory and telephone directory for Palmetto, Florida, show no listing for Gulf Coast Paving Company.

INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [REDACTED] U. S. Post Office, Highland Park, Illinois. b6 b7C

CG T-2 is [REDACTED]
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